NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT MOTION.

PRESIDENT: I have received this morning also a notice for adjournment of the House. The notice reads thus :—

> "I beg to give notice of a motion to adjourn the business of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, *viz.*, the serious obstruction to trade and shipping at the Alleppey Port by accretion of sand which prevents the using of 9 out of 11 stages of the pier".

And then it is explained :—

> "The accretion of sand began in 1933 and measures then taken have served only as a temporary arrangement. The need for permanent arrangement is imperative and the situation has been recently aggravated by the fact that the mud-bank has failed during this monsoon."

If that last statement had not been made, the motion would have been out of order, for the motion evidently tries to draw attention to an incident which happened in 1933 and still continues. But in view of the last statement that this fact has been aggravated by the failing of the mud-bank, it would certainly be regarded as a recent event of public importance. For that reason, I am prepared to hold that the motion is in order.

No objection having been taken by the House the motion was declared admitted.

PRESIDENT: The date on which the motion will be taken up will be decided tomorrow.

PRESIDENTS STATEMENT REGARDING BUDGET DISCUSSION.

PRESIDENT: Under Rule 69, the debate on the Budget will begin with a general discussion and be followed by the voting of Demands for Grants. Representations having been made to me that the two days' time allotted for general discussion was inadequate, I have this year allotted one more day for the purpose. The maximum of seven days allowed under Rule 71 has been set apart for the voting of Demands for Grants. The Demands will be taken up in the order in which they are printed in the List of Demands, copy of which has been already furnished to honourable members. In fixing the order in which the Demands are to be moved and voted upon, I have taken care to see that precedence is given to the Demands relating to the three Departments of Land Revenue, Public Works and Education whose activities, more than any other, impinge on the welfare of the people, and to enable the House to get an opportunity to discuss some of the Demands which for want of time were not reached in previous years. The first three Demands, *viz.*, Land Revenue, Education and Public Works, may each be discussed for one whole day; and not more than half a day will be allotted for each of the remaining Demands.

Every member, other than the Financial Secretary, will be allowed, during the general discussion stage, not more than fifteen minutes as usual. But I hope honourable members will, while not unduly restraining themselves, allow as many non-official members as possible to participate in the discussion and also render it possible to give the Government members adequate time for reply. It will be recognised

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